

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An alert method relating to a remaining fuel amount of a fuel cell system, comprising the steps of:

switching over operation/stopped states from an operation state of the fuel cell system to a stopped state of the fuel cell system;

detecting that the state of the fuel cell system is switched over to a stopped side, such that the fuel cell system is in the stopped state; and

communicating information related to the remaining fuel amount to a user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed in a state where the switch is the stopped state when the fuel cell system is switched over to the stopped side.

2. (Original) The alert method according to claim 1, wherein

at least a step of generating an alert for the user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed and the remaining fuel amount falls to an alert generating level is included in the step of communicating information related to the remaining fuel amount.

3. (Original) The alert method according to claim 2, wherein

the generation of the alert is implemented when fuel is consumed due to the fuel cell system performing a heat-retention operation.

4. (Original) The alert method according to claim 2, wherein

the alert is sent to an information terminal of the user using wireless communication.

5. (Original) The alert method according to claim 2, wherein

the generation of the alert is implemented multiple times in response to the remaining fuel amount.

6. (Original) The alert method according to claim 2, wherein
the fuel cell system is mounted in a moving body, and
the alert includes information related to at least one of a remaining fuel
amount, a possible remaining heat-retention operation time of the fuel cell system, a possible
remaining running mileage of the moving body, and a distance to the nearest fuel station.

7. (Original) The alert method according to claim 6, wherein
the alert generating level is set such that the possible remaining running
mileage of the moving body includes a margin with respect to the distance to the nearest fuel
station.

8. (Currently Amended) An alert method relating to a remaining fuel amount of
a fuel cell system mounted in a moving body, comprising the steps of:

switching ~~ever operation/~~~~stopped states~~ from an operation state of the moving
body to a stopped state of the moving body;

detecting that an ignition switch of the moving body is switched over to a
stopped side, such that the moving body is in the stopped state; and

communicating information related to the remaining fuel ~~amount~~amount,
when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed in a ~~state where the switch is~~the stopped state
when the ignition switch is switched over ~~to a~~to the stopped sideside, to an information
terminal of a user at a location away from the moving body using wireless communication.

9. (Original) The alert method according to claim 8, wherein
the communication is conducted at every fixed time period.

10. (Original) The alert method according to claim 8, wherein
the communication is conducted when the remaining fuel amount falls to an
alert generating level.

11. (Original) The alert method according to claim 8, wherein

the communication is conducted in response to a request from the user.

12. (Original) The alert method according to claim 8, wherein

the fuel cell system stops consumption of the fuel in response to a system stop command after receiving the system stop command from the user.

13. - 23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) The alert method according to claim 1, wherein the remaining fuel amount reduces when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed in ~~the state where the fuel cell system is the stopped state when the fuel cell system is~~ switched over to ~~a~~ to the stopped side.